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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
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MISCELLANEOUS TRUST FUNDS

Program and Performance

1. TRIBAL TRUST FUNDS (14X8365): Tribal funds are deposited into a consolidated account in the U.S. Treasury pursuant to: (1) general or specific acts of Congress enacting the judgment awards of the Indian Claims Commission and the Court of Claims; and (2) Federal management of tribal real properties, the titles to which are held in trust for the tribes by the United States. These funds are available to the respective tribal groups for various purposes, under various acts of Congress, and are subject to the provisions of tribal constitutions, bylaws, charters, and resolutions of the various tribes, bands, or groups. Tribal funds may be used for the conduct of tribal financial programs, enterprises, businesses, per capita payments, and other tribal affairs. These funds are not federal monies as the funds belong strictly to the tribes. The bureau only invests and monitors the numerous tribal accounts in fulfilling its trust responsibility as the respective trustee of the United States. These funds are reported annually in the budget schedules to give Congress the opportunity to review the activity conducted under the authorities extended to the Secretary of the Interior.

2. FUNDS CONTRIBUTED FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE INDIAN RACE (14X8563): This program accounts for any contributions, donations, gifts, etc., which are to be used for the benefit of American Indians in accordance with the donor's wishes (82 Stat. 171).

3. BEQUEST OF GEORGE C. EDGEETER (14X8060)-- This account consists of a bequest, the principal of which is invested in U.S. Treasury bonds and notes, and the interest is to be used for the relief of American Indians (82 Stat. 171), as specified by the donor's wishes.

Highlight Statement

Funds are deposited into a consolidated account in the U.S. Treasury pursuant to: (1) general or specific acts of Congress enacting the judgment awards of the Indian Claims Commission and the Court of Claims; and (2) Federal management of tribal real properties, the titles to which are held in trust for the tribes by the United States. These two sources of funds contribute approximately 35% and 65%, respectively, of the tribal trust fund income. Approximately 300 Indian tribes, bands, or identifiable groups maintain funds in the U.S. Treasury account; these monies are separately identified and controlled in some 700 accounts by the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Tribal funds are available to the respective tribal groups for various purposes, under various acts of Congress, and are subject to the provisions of tribal constitutions, bylaws, charters, and resolutions of the various tribes, bands, or groups. Tribal funds may be used for the conduct of tribal financial programs, enterprises, businesses, per capita payments, and other tribal affairs.

The Act of October 19, 1973 (87 Stat. 466), provides general authority for the distribution of funds appropriated in satisfaction of judgments of the Indian Claims Commission and the Court of Claims, subject to certain conditions, including the development of a plan for the use of the funds. Funds derived from the management of tribal trust properties are available for tribal use in accordance with approved budgets under annual/definite, or permanent/indefinite authorizations.

Funds programmed under permanent/indefinite authorization are made available under legislation which provided permanent authority for the Secretary of the Interior to withdraw from tribal accounts in the Treasury those funds needed to carry out programs designed by a particular tribe and approved by the Secretary for the conduct of tribal operations, including but not limited to management of tribal resources and other programs designated to improve the situation of the general membership. Funds can be disbursed through either the Regional Disbursing Office or the Indian Service Special Disbursing Agents' accounts, or funds can be advanced to tribes for disbursement by their bonded tribal treasurers under approved plans of operation. Although these funds do not require annual approval by Congress, they are reported annually in the budget schedule to give Congress an opportunity to review the activity conducted under the authorities extended to the Secretary of the Interior.

No part of the funds contained in this estimate represents a charge upon the Federal Treasury. This item reflects the disbursement of funds to the credit of Indian tribes or bands under numerous special acts of Congress in compliance with the terms of the various trusts and for carrying out tribal programs recommended by the tribal governing bodies with the approval of the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs. The budget schedule under the Permanent Authorization reflects disbursements from the tribal trust funds authorized by permanent legislation.

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Program and Financing (in thousands of dollars)			
Identification code	1991	1992	1993
14-9973-0-7-999	Actual	Estimate	Estimate
Program by activities:			
1. Miscellaneous permanent (tribal funds).....	367,000	398,520	412,639
2. Other trust funds.....	47	40	40
10.0001 Total obligations.....	367,047	398,560	412,679
(Obj. class 44)			
Financing:			
21.4001 Unobligated balance available, start of year:			
Treasury balance.....	(1,269,194)	(1,271,814)	(1,485,545)
U.S. Securities (par).....	(191,465)	(219,869)	—
Unrealized Discounts.....	3	3	—
24.4001 Unobligated balance available, end of year:			
Treasury balance.....	1,271,814	1,485,545	1,483,990
U.S. Securities (par).....	219,869	—	—
Unrealized Discounts.....	(3)	—	—
39.0001 Budget Authority.....	398,071	392,425	411,124
Relation of obligations to outlays:			
71.0001 Obligations incurred, net.....	367,047	398,560	412,679
72.4001 Obligated balance, start of year.....	454	3,503	9,582
74.40001 Obligated balance, end of year.....	(3,503)	(9,582)	(10,202)
90.0001 Outlays.....	363,998	392,481	412,059
Distribution of budget authority:			
Indian tribal funds.....	398,025	392,386	411,088
Funds contributed for the advancement of the Indian race.....	36	39	36
Bequest of George C. Edgeter.....	10	0	0
Distribution of outlays:			
Indian tribal funds.....	363,940	392,442	412,023
Funds contributed for the advancement of the Indian race.....	58	39	36
Bequest of George C. Edgeter.....	0	0	0

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Identification code	1991	1992	1993
14-9973-0-7-999	Actual	Estimate	Estimate
Unexpended balance, start of year:			
U.S. Securities:			
Par value.....	191,465	219,869	1,485,545
Unrealized discounts.....	(3)	(3)	—
Cash.....	1,269,194	1,271,814	—
Balance of fund, start of year.....	1,460,656	1,491,680	1,485,545
Cash income during the year:			
Government receipts.....	3,760	705	705
Proprietary receipts.....	330,938	306,545	304,746
Intragovernmental transactions.....	63,373	85,175	105,673
Income under present law.....	398,071	392,425	411,124
Total Cash Income.....	398,071	392,425	411,124
Cash outgo during the year:			
Outgo under present law.....	363,998	392,482	412,060
Total Cash Outgo.....	363,998	392,482	362,567
Unexpended balance, end of year:			
U.S. Securities:			
Par value.....	219,869	—	—
Unrealized discounts.....	(3)	—	—
Cash.....	1,271,814	1,485,545	1,483,990
Balance of fund, end of year.....	1,491,680	1,485,545	1,483,990

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